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Every week, WGBH Arts Editor **Jared Bowen** sums up the exhibitions, theater, movies and music you should check out in and around Boston.

Vision and Justice: The Art of Citizenship, on view at Harvard Art Museum's University Teaching Gallery through January 8



*Untitled photograph from "Vision and Justice: The Art of Citizenship" presented by Harvard Art Museums
Bruce Davidson*

Harvard Art Museum's Synopsis: "This University Teaching Gallery examines the contested relationship between art, justice, and African American culture from the 19th through 21st century in the United States. The over 40 works on display range from prints by Kara Walker and Glenn Ligon that challenge the nexus between vision and justice during slavery to photographs by Bruce Davidson and Gordon Parks that poetically summarize events from the segregation era through the civil rights movement."

Jared Says: "A very relevant look at what's happening today, but also how photography and the African American experience have been shaped."

Call of Courage, debuting at the Strand Theatre in Dorchester on November 18



Ayako Takahashi of Urbanity Dance's "Call of Courage"

Eli Akerstein

Urbanity Dance's Synopsis: "An original performance crafted by Boston dancers and musicians, *Call of Courage* features choreography set to powerful stories of perseverance from Boston's youth. A matinee performance is being put on for Boston Public School students, and the courageous students who share their stories will be honored at both the evening and matinee shows. *Call of Courage* utilizes the universal language of dance to celebrate courage in Boston's own back yard, using the voices and stories of youth found here. Mixing tones of humor, raw emotion, and the extraordinary, *Call of Courage* develops a complicated image of courage to honor personal truths of growing up in today's society."

Jared Says: "A crystalline reflection of the challenges kids and really we face today, and for that it knocks you."

Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them, in theaters nationwide November



Eddie Redmayne and Katherine Waterston star in "Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them"
Warner Bros.

Warner Bros. Entertainment's Synopsis: "The film opens in 1926 as Newt Scamander, played by Academy Award winner Eddie Redmayne, has just completed a global excursion to find and document an extraordinary array of magical creatures. Arriving in New York for a brief stopover, he might have come and gone without incident...were it not for a No-Maj named Jacob, a misplaced magical briefcase, and the escape of some of Newt's fantastic beasts, which could spell trouble for both the wizarding and No-Maj worlds."

Jared Says: "Fortunately, the marvelous beast preserves that we see here and all they encompass more than compensate for some of the homework we have entering a new franchise."

Nocturnal Animals, out November 18 in select theaters



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Jake Gyllenhaal co-stars in Tom Ford's "Nocturnal Animals"

Focus Features

Focus Features' Synopsis: "From writer/director Tom Ford comes a haunting romantic thriller of shocking intimacy and gripping tension that explores the thin lines between love and cruelty, revenge and redemption. Academy Award nominees Amy Adams and Jake Gyllenhaal star as a divorced couple discovering dark truths about each other and themselves."

Jared Says: "A smart, sumptuous, searing look."

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